



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 6830

LCO No. 4137

Referred to Committee on Energy and Technology

Introduced by:
(ET)

***AN ACT CONCERNING TECHNICAL REVISIONS TO THE PUBLIC
SERVICE COMPANIES LAWS.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 16-19m of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof:

3 As used in sections 16-19m to [16-19r] 16-19q, inclusive:

4 (1) "Closing" means the time at which a nuclear power generating
5 facility ceases to generate electricity and is retired from active service.

6 (2) "Decommissioning" means the series of activities undertaken
7 beginning at the time of closing of a nuclear power generating facility
8 to ensure that the final disposition of the site or any radioactive
9 components or material, but not including spent fuel, associated with
10 the facility is accomplished safely, in compliance with all applicable
11 state and federal laws. Decommissioning includes activities
12 undertaken to prepare such a facility for final disposition, to monitor
13 and maintain it after closing and to effect final disposition of any
14 radioactive components of the facility.

15 (3) "Decommissioning costs" means: (A) All reasonable costs and
16 expenses of removing a nuclear power generating facility from service,
17 including, without limitation, dismantling, mothballing, removing
18 radioactive waste material, except spent fuel, to temporary or
19 permanent storage sites, decontaminating, restoring and supervising
20 the site, and any costs and expenses incurred in connection with
21 proceedings before governmental regulatory authorities relating to the
22 authorization to decommission the facility; (B) all costs of labor and
23 services performed or rendered in connection with the
24 decommissioning of the facility, and all costs of materials, supplies,
25 machinery, construction equipment and apparatus acquired for or in
26 connection with the decommissioning of the facility. Any amount,
27 exclusive of proceeds of insurance, realized by a licensee as salvage on
28 or resale of any machinery, construction equipment and apparatus, the
29 cost of which was charged as a decommissioning cost, shall be treated
30 as a deduction from the amounts otherwise payable on account of the
31 cost of decommissioning of the facility; and (C) all overhead costs
32 applicable to the facility during the decommissioning period,
33 including, but not limited to, taxes, other than taxes on or in respect of
34 income; licenses; excises and assessments; casualties; surety bond
35 premiums and insurance premiums, provided amounts expended or to
36 be paid with respect to decommissioning a facility shall constitute part
37 of the decommissioning costs if they are, or when paid will be, either
38 properly chargeable to any account related to decommissioning of a
39 facility in accordance with the systems of accounts then applicable to
40 the licensee, or properly chargeable to decommissioning of a facility in
41 accordance with then applicable regulations of the United States
42 Nuclear Regulatory Commission, the federal Energy Regulatory
43 Commission or any other regulatory agency having jurisdiction.

44 (4) "Licensee" means (A) the holder of the construction or operating
45 permit from the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission for a
46 nuclear power generating facility located in the state, if there is only
47 one holder of such a permit, or (B) if there are two or more holders of
48 such a permit, those holders which are primarily responsible for the

49 construction or operation of the facility.

50 (5) "Owner" means any electric utility which owns any portion of a
51 nuclear power generating facility whether directly or through
52 ownership of stock in a company which owns any portion of such a
53 facility.

54 (6) "Electric utility" means (A) any domestic electric company, as
55 defined in section 16-246a, (B) any foreign electric company, as defined
56 in said section, (C) any municipal electric utility organized under
57 chapter 101_z and (D) any municipal electric energy cooperative
58 organized under chapter 101a.

59 (7) "Premature closing" means the closing of a nuclear power
60 generating facility before the projected date of decommissioning as
61 projected in the decommissioning financing plan prepared under
62 section 16-19n.

63 (8) "Prompt removal and dismantlement" means the immediate
64 removal of radioactive or radioactively contaminated material down to
65 allowable residual levels which permit release of the property for
66 unrestricted access.

67 Sec. 2. Sections 16-19i, 16-19r, 16-19s and 16-19t of the general
68 statutes are repealed.

Statement of Purpose:

To repeal obsolete provisions of the general statutes.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]